

## Drone use while hunting

It's becoming increasingly common to see people using drones for a wide variety of purposes.

Hunters are among those thinking of ways to incorporate drones into their favored activities, but as they do, they should keep in mind that state statutes set limits in that regard. *In Minnesota, it is not legal to use drones to take big or small game, which includes using drones to recover dead or wounded game.*

For more information, see:

[Minnesota Statute 97B.085, Subd. 1](#), which prohibits the use of radio equipment to take big or small game.

Taking includes assisting in the take.

[Minnesota Statute 97B.081](#), which prohibits shining wild animals using drones, and [Minnesota Statute 97B.086](#), which prohibit shining wild animals using drones and using drones with thermal imagery or night vision while taking wild animals.